

**MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY
COUNCIL AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OF NATIONAL CITY, CALIFORNIA**

JOINT MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

April 13, 2010

The Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City Council and Community Development Commission of National City meeting in Joint Session with the Governing Board of the National School District was called to order at 6:11 p.m. by Mayor / Chairman Ron Morrison.

ROLL CALL

Council / Commission members present: Morrison, Sotelo-Solis, Van Deventer, Zarate.

Administrative Officials present: Dalla, Deese, Duong, Eiser, Gonzales, Hodges, Ladrado, Parra, Raulston, Smith, Stevenson, Zapata.

Others present: City Treasurer Mitch Beauchamp and Student Representatives Michael Mendoza and Christina Dickey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG BY MAYOR RON MORRISON

JOINT MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

1. Introduction and History Between the National School District and the City (Christopher Oram, Ed.D. and Chris Zapata).

National School District Superintendent Chris Oram gave an overview of the National School District (NSD) which has served the community for 139 years. Dr. Oram emphasized that the NSD is known for maintaining top notch facilities, providing excellent programs and has achieved continuous growth in student achievement over the past 10 years. Dr. Oram highlighted past successful collaborative efforts between the School District and City and said the current goal is "to build the relationship of the City and District and to explore additional ways to collaborate".

City Manager Chris Zapata said the City Council and School Board last met together in September of 2006 and that he has been meeting monthly with the School Superintendent for the past 5 years. Mr. Zapata said that one of the objectives of the 2009 Strategic Plan adopted by the City was to partner with the schools. Toward that end, the City Council gave direction in January of 2010 to collaborate with the school districts.

JOINT MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (cont.)

1. Introduction and History Between the National School District and the City (Christopher Oram, Ed.D. and Chris Zapata) (continued).

According to Mr. Zapata, the City has been meeting with the District to discuss the things that are being done, could be being done and should be being done together.

2. Partnership Presentation Between the National School District and the City (Leslie Deese and Cindy Frazee).

Assistant City Manager Leslie Deese and Assistant Superintendent-Human Resources Cindy Frazee, reviewed current and proposed collaborative efforts between the City and School District in the area of community services, communications, public safety, library, and technology.

3. Finance Presentation Between the National School District and the City (Chris Carson and Jeanette Ladrigo).

Finance Director Jeanette Ladrigo and Assistant Superintendent-Business Services Chris Carson, reviewed budget issues and proposed collaborative efforts for purchasing and grants.

4. Environmental / Land-use Presentation Between the National School District and the City (Katie Filzenger and Brad Raulston).

Community Development Executive Director Brad Raulston and Assistant Superintendent-Educational Services Katie Filzenger reviewed current and proposed collaborative efforts for facilities, transportation and health & safety issues.

Note: All presentation materials are on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

5. General Plan Update

CDC Executive Director Brad Raulston reviewed the schedule of General Plan meetings and indicated that this meeting is a critical meeting due to the partnership with schools. Mr. Raulston and City consultant team members Camille Passon, Brook Peterson and Mike Ratajski detailed portions of a PowerPoint presentation (See attached Exhibit "A") that included the following:

JOINT MEETING WITH THE NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (cont.)

5. General Plan Update (continued).

Geographic Organization of the City
Education Element Information
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6. City Council and School Board Member Comments and Discussion followed. No action was taken.

PUBLIC ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Ted Godshalk, National City, expressed his opinion that the crisis response plan needs to have a priority, Hoover Avenue should not have a garden and the Municipal Golf course should remain a golf course.

An un-named speaker spoke in support of keeping the golf course, promoting agricultural, highlighting historical sites and maintaining street trees.

Mitch Beauchamp, City Treasurer, supports joint purchasing efforts between the City and School District, suggested consideration should be given to the possibility of sea level change in the future and the City should look at repealing its bee ordinance.

ADJOURNMENT


Motion by Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Van Deventer, to adjourn the meeting to the next Regular City Council and Community Development Commission Meeting to be held Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, National City, California. Carried by unanimous vote.

The meeting closed at 8:33 p.m.



City Clerk / Recording Secretary

The foregoing minutes were approved at the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2010.



Mayor / CDC Chairman

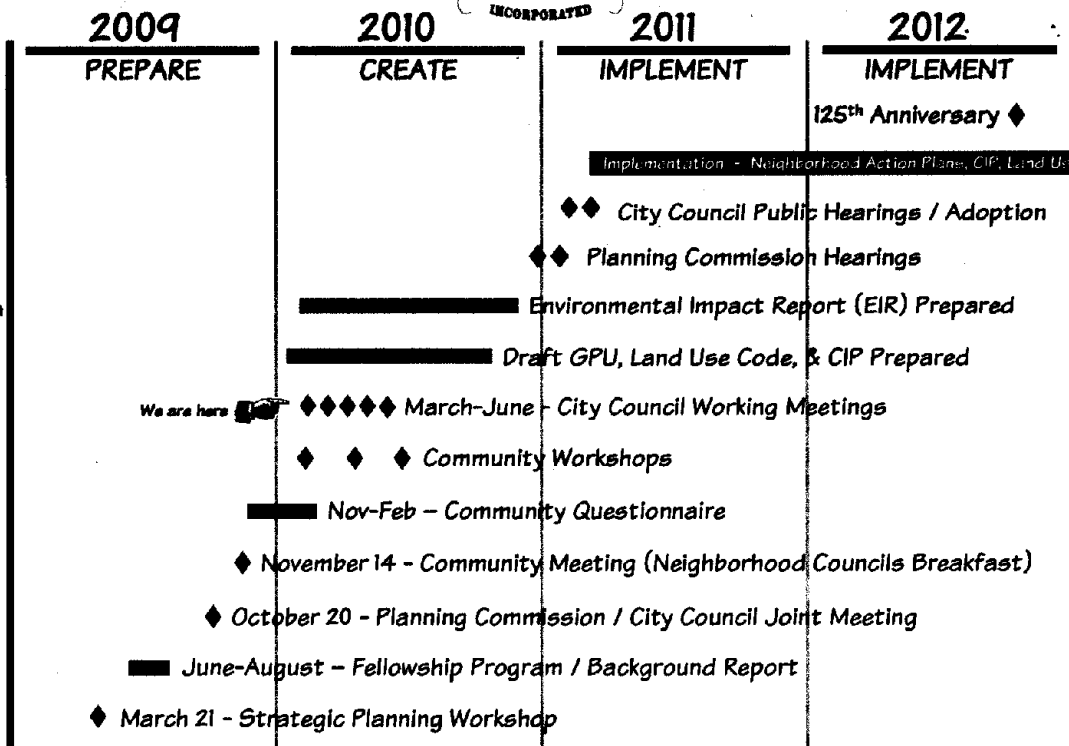


City of National City GENERAL PLAN UPDATE

City Council Third Working Meeting
In Collaboration with
National School District
April 13, 2010

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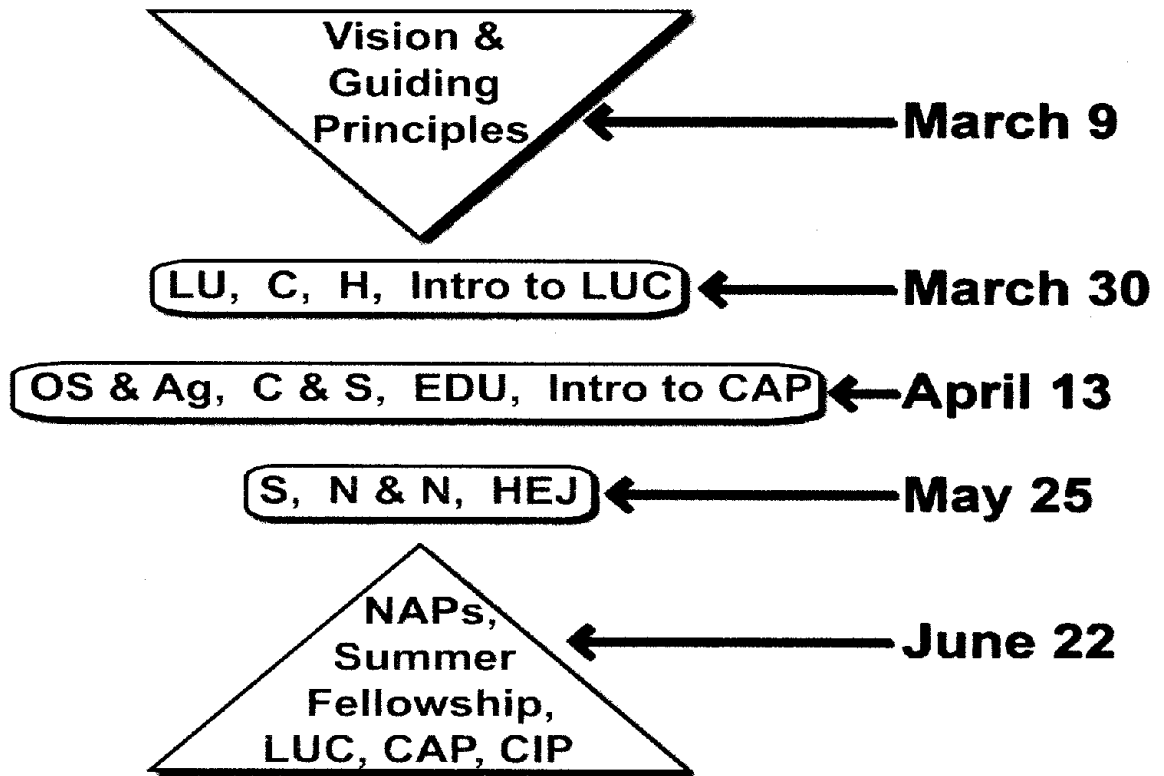
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General Plan Update City Council Working Meetings Topics and Schedule



Future Public Participation

- Visual Preference Survey
- May Workshops

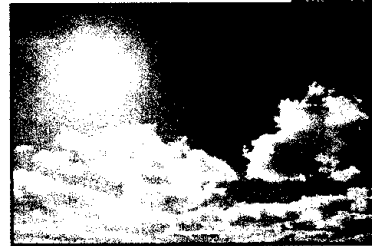


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Working Meeting Outline

- Draft Education Element
- Draft Open Space & Agriculture Element
- Draft Conservation & Sustainability Element



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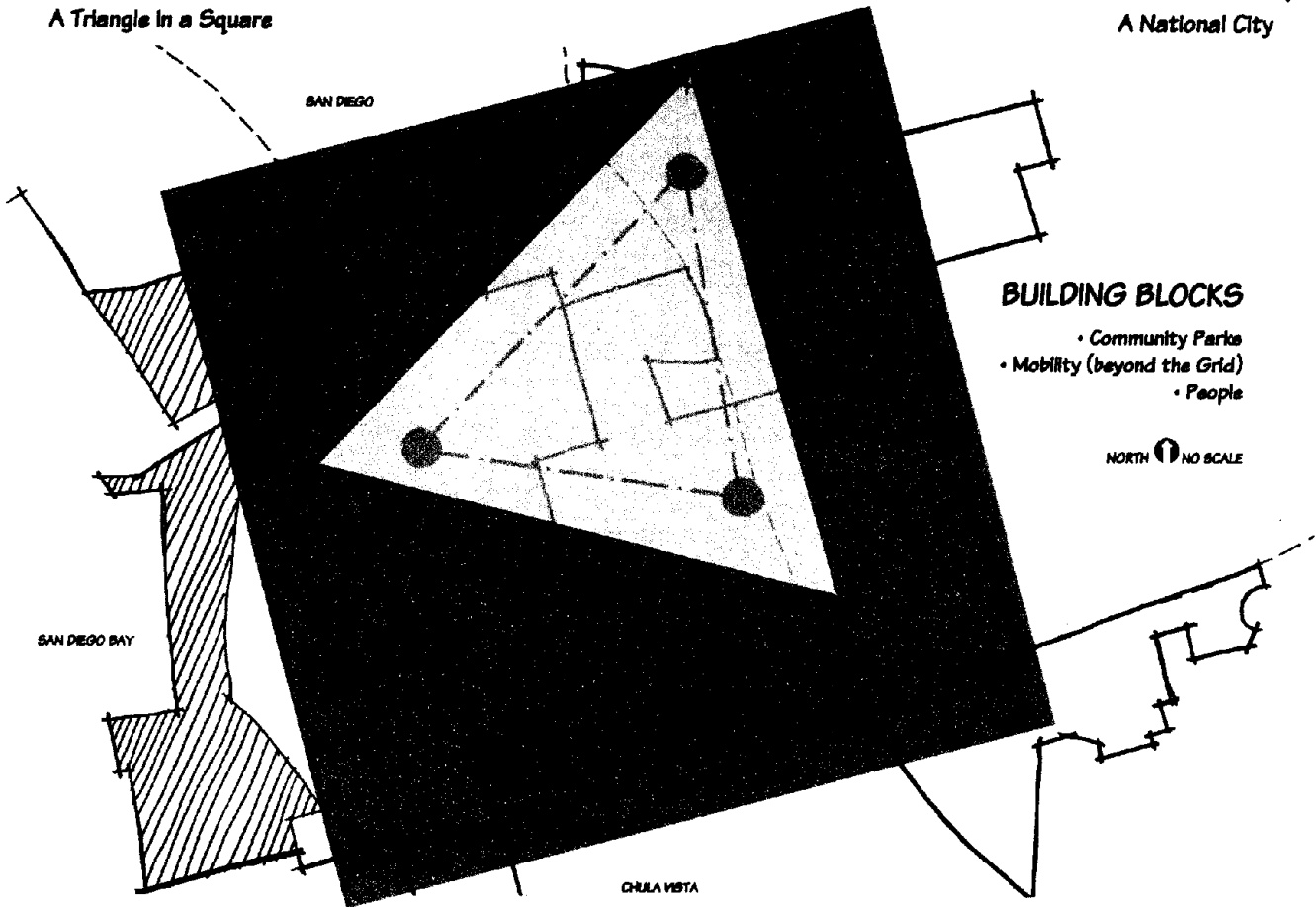


Geographic Organization of the City

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A Triangle in a Square

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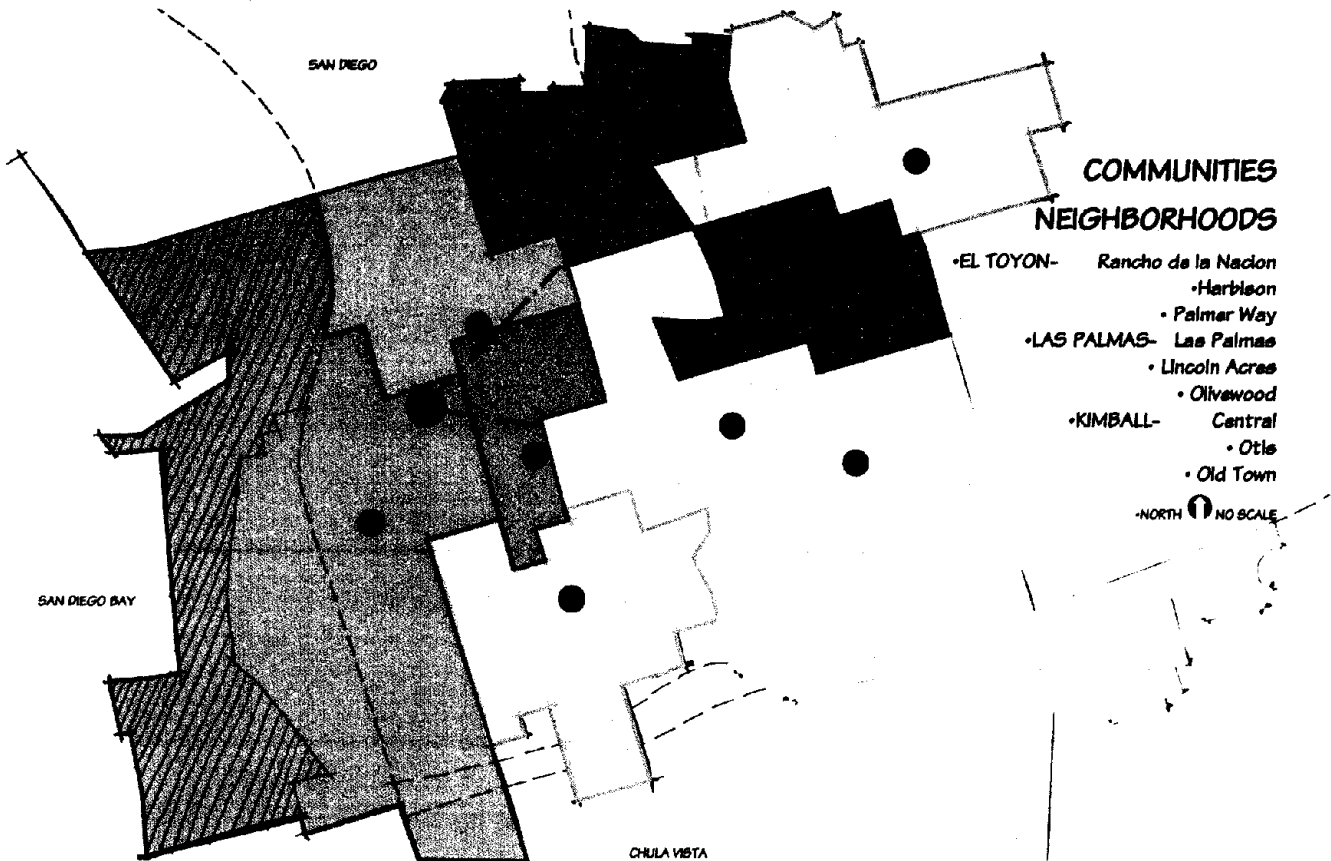
BUILDING BLOCKS

- Community Parks
- Mobility (beyond the Grid)
- People

NORTH  NO SCALE

Neighborhood Action Plans

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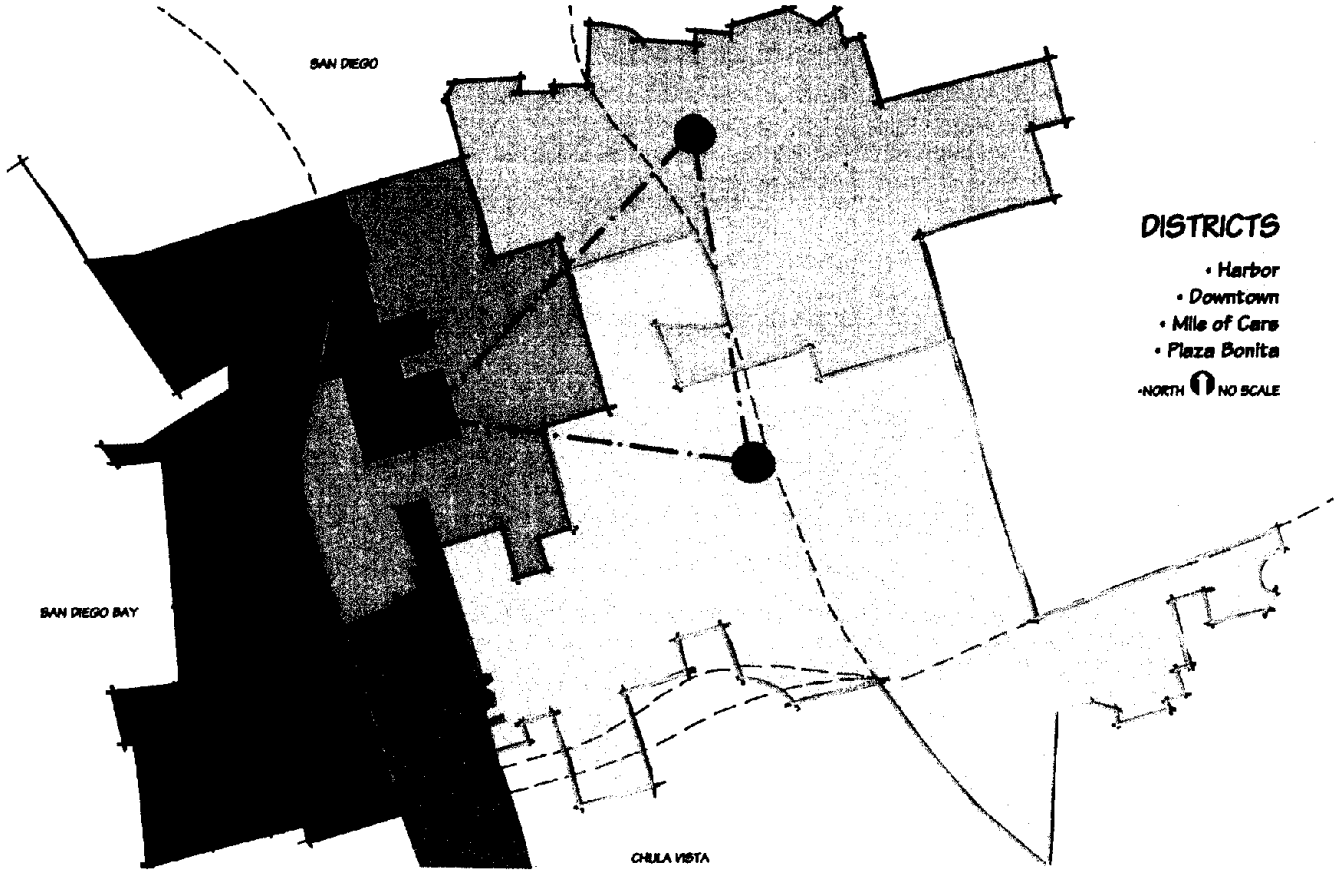
**COMMUNITIES
NEIGHBORHOODS**

- EL TOYON- Rancho de la Nacion
 - Harbison
 - Palmer Way
- LAS PALMAS- Las Palmas
 - Lincoln Acres
 - Olivewood
- KIMBALL- Central
 - Otle
 - Old Town

NORTH  NO SCALE

Special Districts require special attention

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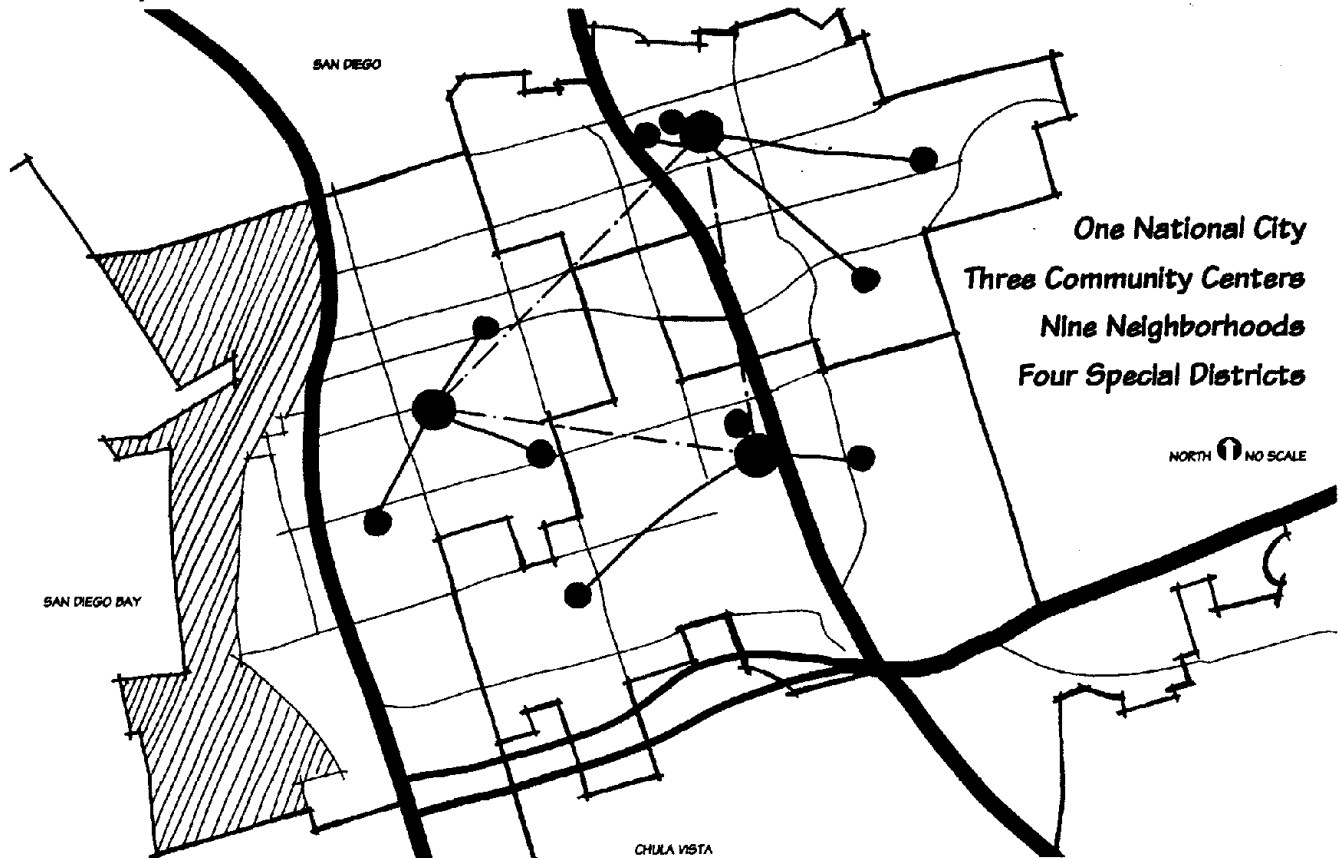


DISTRICTS

- Harbor
- Downtown
- Mile of Cars
- Plaza Bonita

NORTH  NO SCALE

Participation Network



- One National City
- Three Community Centers
- Nine Neighborhoods
- Four Special Districts

NORTH  NO SCALE



General Plan Update: Education Element Information

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Education – Not a State Mandated Element

- There are no *Government Code* legal requirements governing the contents of the Education Element.
- An optional element.



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Education – Why Create this Element?

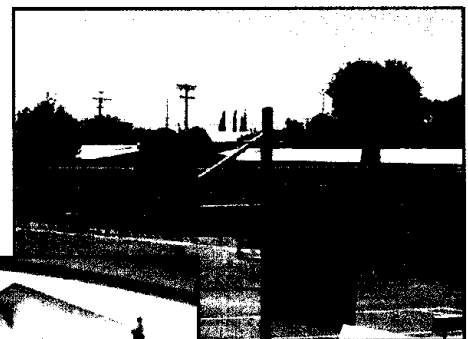
- Strategic Plan objective – Partner with schools
- Aligning neighborhood boundaries with elementary school attendance boundaries
- Education is one of the city's Guiding Principles
- Good cities have good schools

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Education Element – What Is Covered

- Introduction
- Existing Setting
- Citywide Goals and Policies



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Education Element – Existing Setting

- Education Statistics
- Schools
- Family Resource Centers
- Library
- Life-Long Learning
- Child Care
- Communication and Community Participation
- Telecommunications



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Definition of a Goal and Policy

A Goal is a broad direction-setter identifying an ideal future end related to Health, Safety, or General Welfare.

A Policy is a specific statement that guides decision making. It indicates a particular commitment to a particular course of action that helps to reach a General Plan goal.

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Education Element – Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Schools

Goal: High quality schools and educational facilities that meet the needs of all ages and serve as neighborhood centers.

Policy: Work with local school districts to help identify needs for extra-curricular, recreation, youth educational and information service programs.

Policy: Require that proposed land uses adjacent to a school site be planned in such a manner as to maximize compatibility between the uses.

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Education Element – Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Citywide Learning Environment

Goal: Learning opportunities integrated into aspects of everyday life.

Policy: Identify opportunities to use public spaces to display educational information.

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Education Element – Implementation

An Implementation Measure is an action, procedure, program, or technique that carries out a policy.

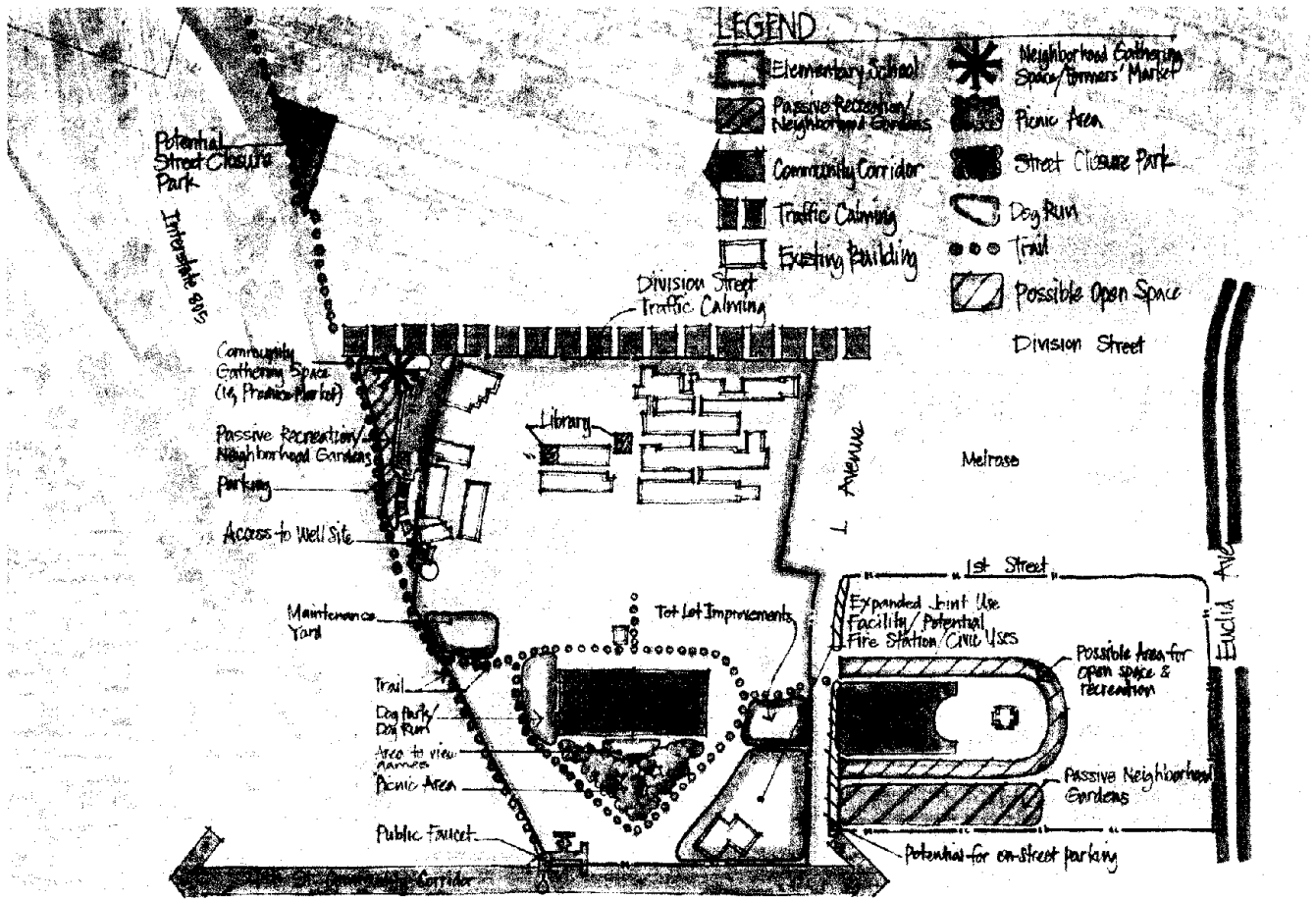
- **Joint-Use Agreements**
- **Increased Interaction between the School Board and the City**
- **Install Informational Signage throughout the City**

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Conceptual Studies

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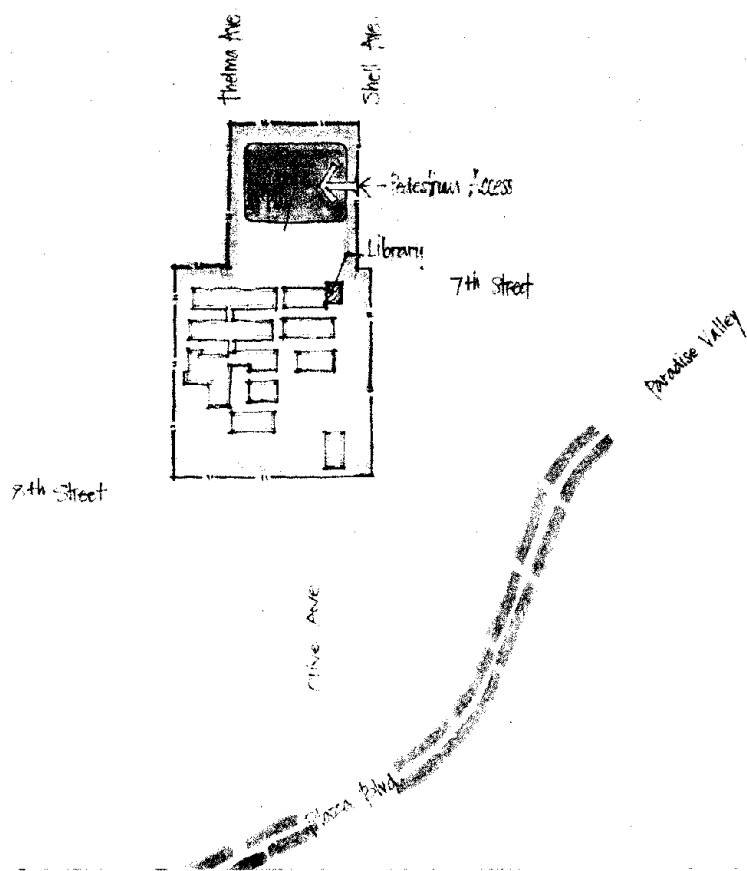
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Rancho del la Nacion & El Toyon Elementary



LEGEND

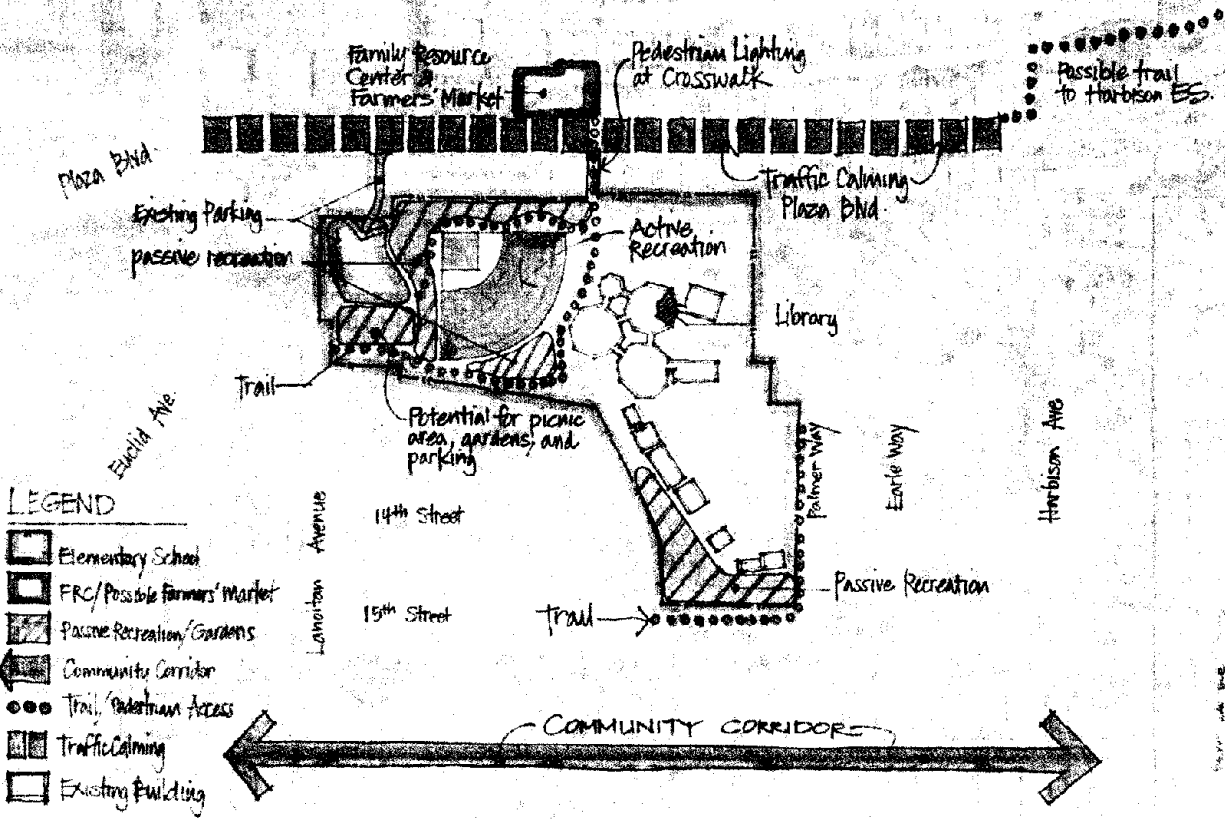
- Elementary School
- Open Play
- Access Point
- Arterial Roadway
- Existing Building



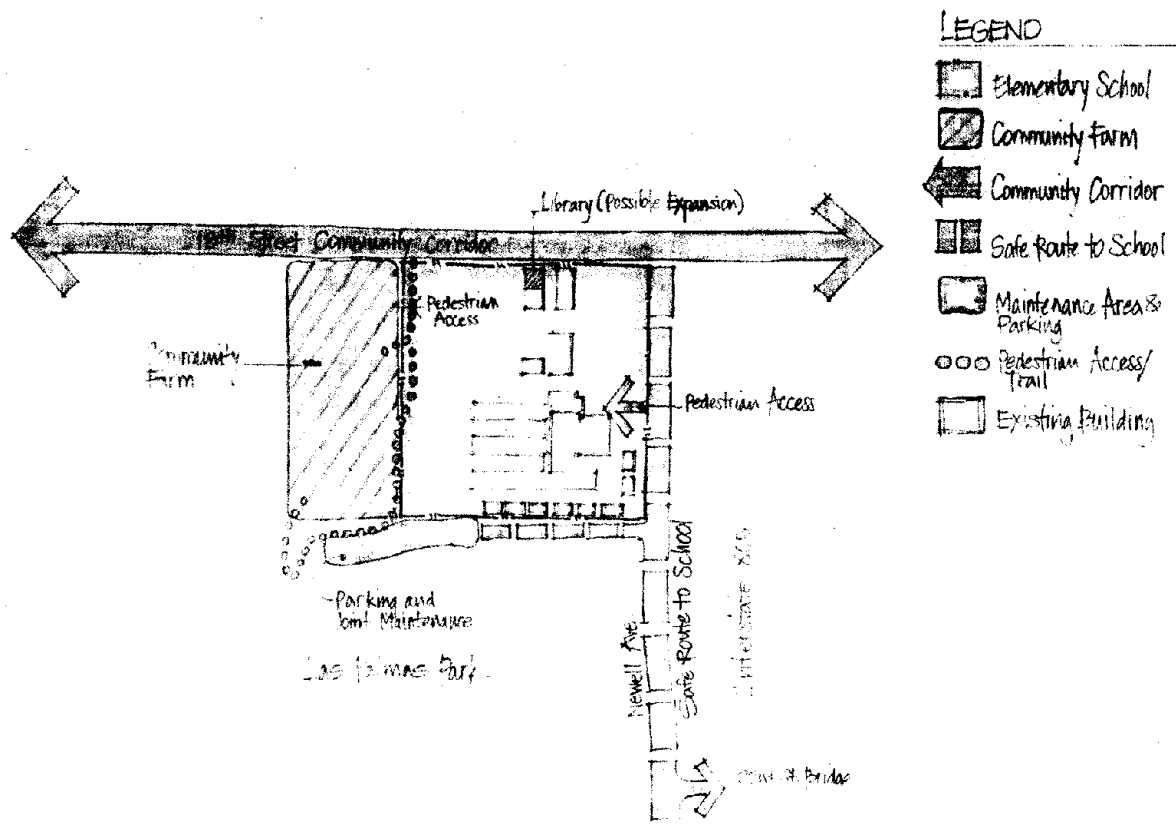
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Ira Harbison Elementary

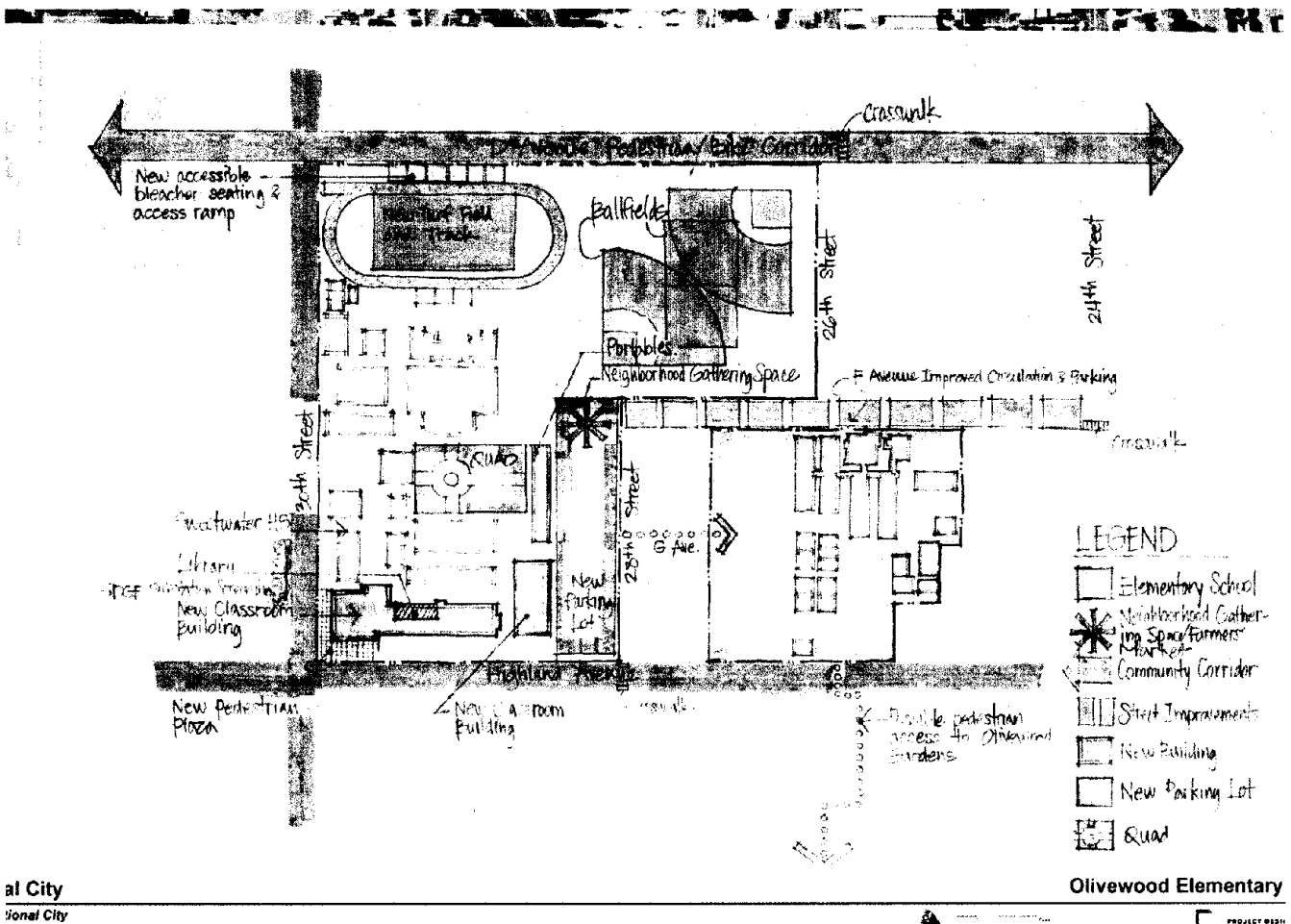
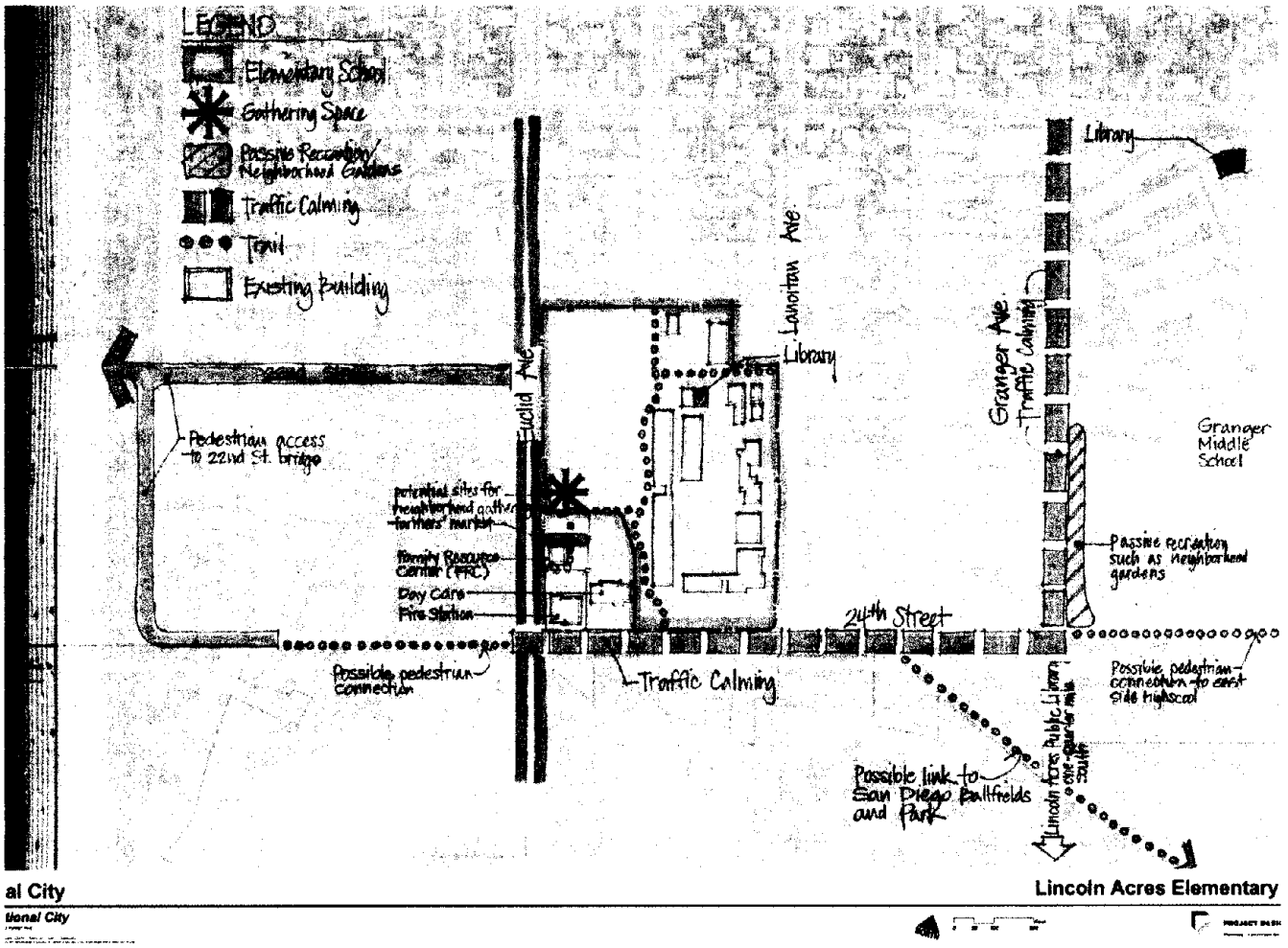




City of Las Vegas | Palmer Way Elementary | PROJECT DESIGN

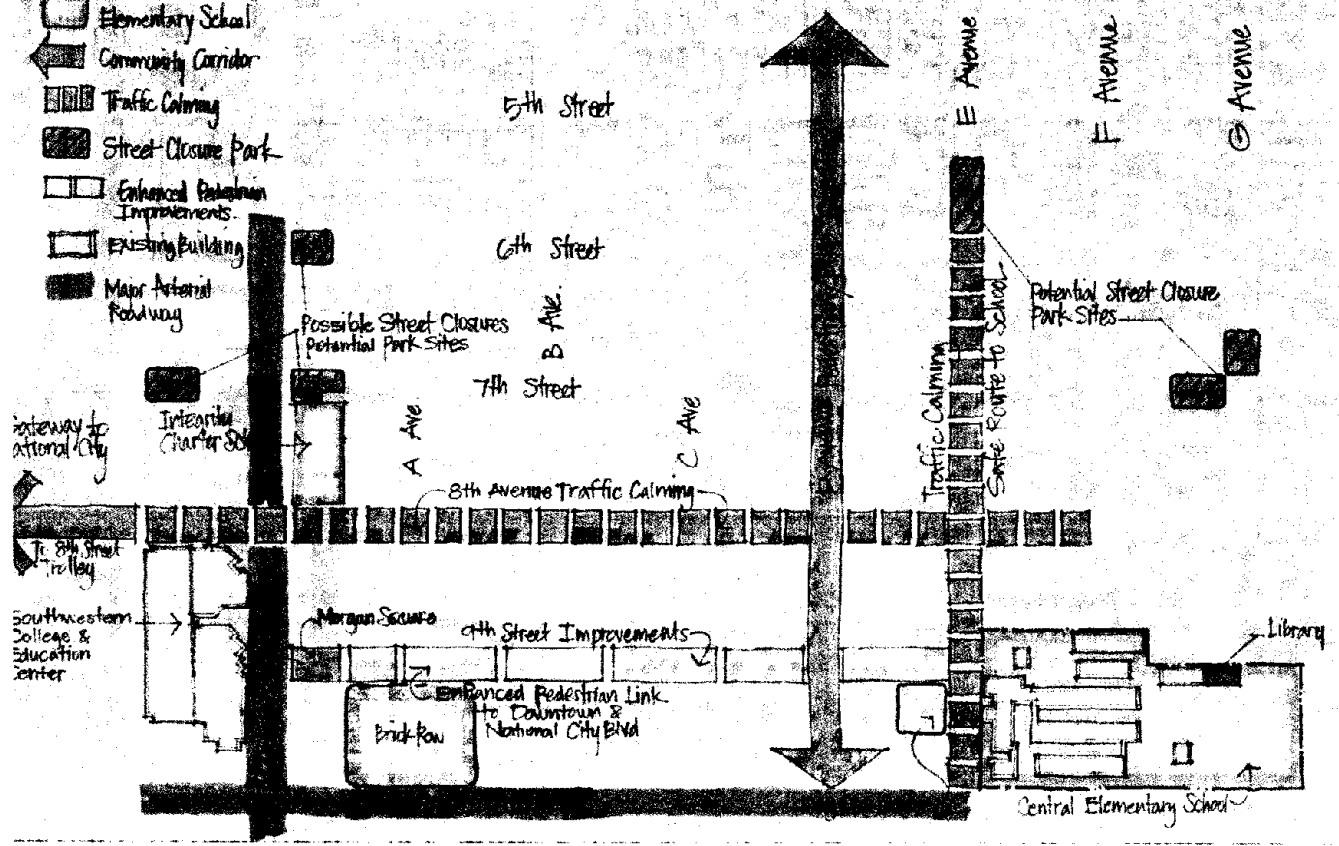


City of Las Vegas | Las Palmas Elementary | PROJECT DESIGN



LEGEND

- Elementary School
- Community Corridor
- Traffic Calming
- Street Closure Park
- Enhanced Pedestrian Improvements
- Existing Building
- Major Arterial Roadway



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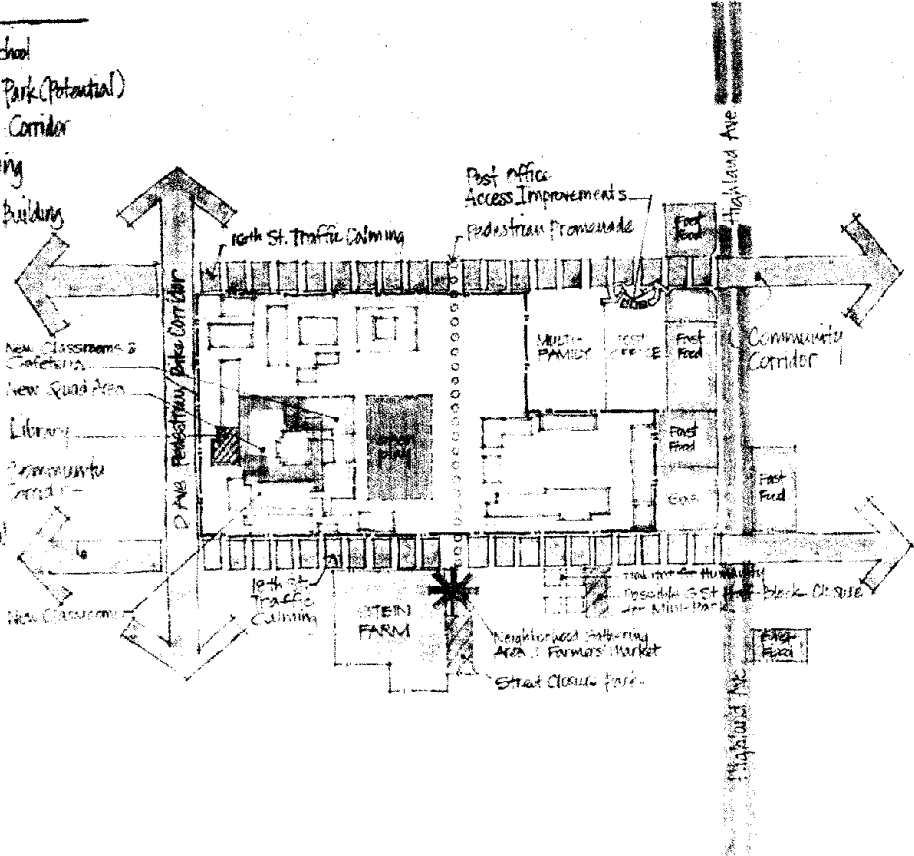
Central Elementary

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PROJECT DATA

LEGEND

- Elementary School
- Street Closure Park (Potential)
- Community Corridor
- Traffic Calming
- Proposal/New Building
- Active Play
- Passive Area
- Fast Food
- Stein Farm
- Gathering Space
- Park/Open Area
- Existing Building

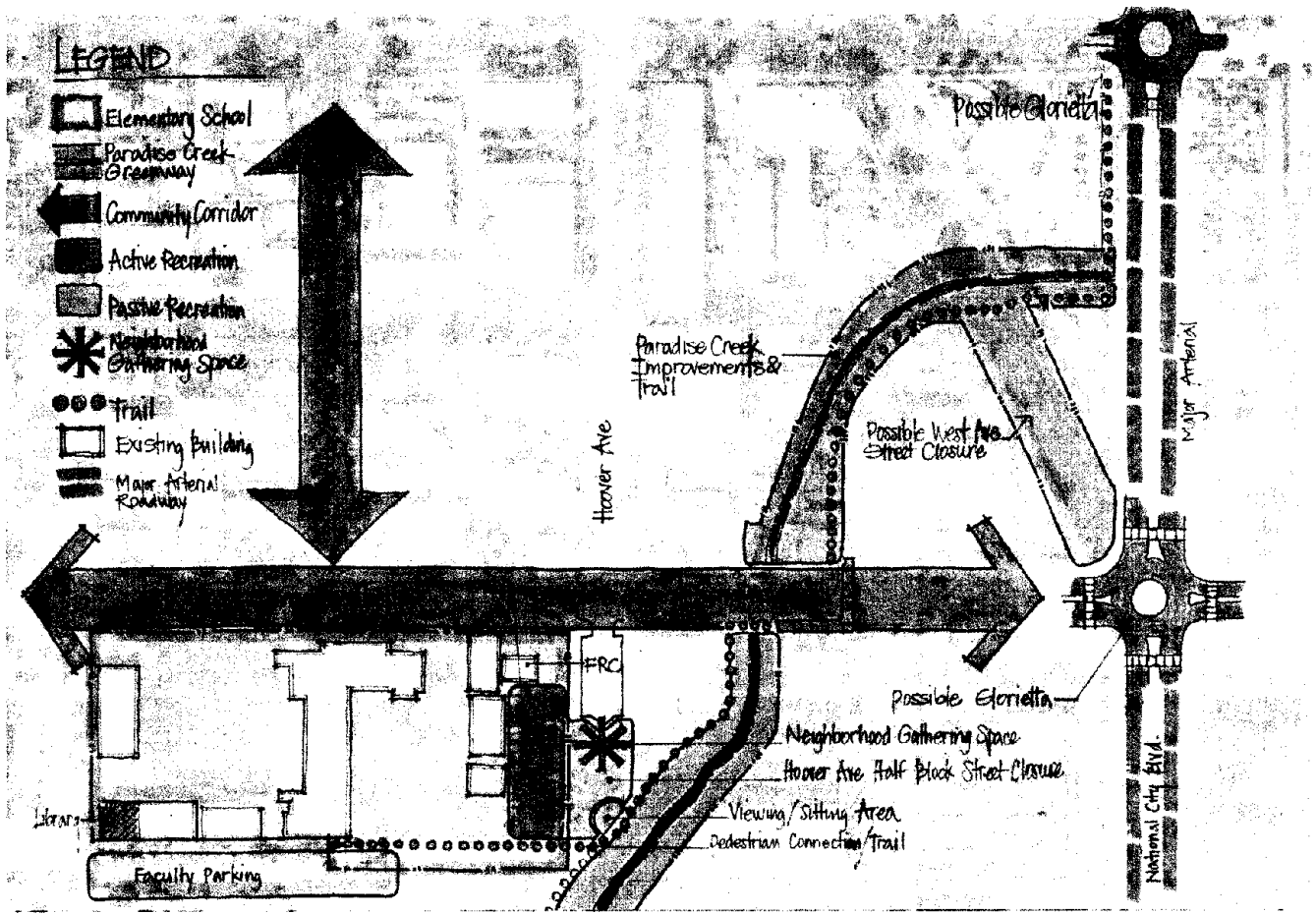


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PROJECT DATA



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Discussion of Draft Education Element



General Plan Update: Draft Open Space and Agriculture Element (OS)

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Open Space & Agriculture - State Considerations

Purpose and Policies: Open space for:

- The preservation of natural resources,
- The managed production of resources including food and fiber,
- Recreation,
- Scenic beauty,
- Health and safety,
- The support of military installations, and
- The protection of Native American places, features and objects.

(Government Code Sections 65302(e), 65560-65570)

- "Urban Agriculture" is an added component of this Element

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Open Space and Agriculture Element – What Is Covered

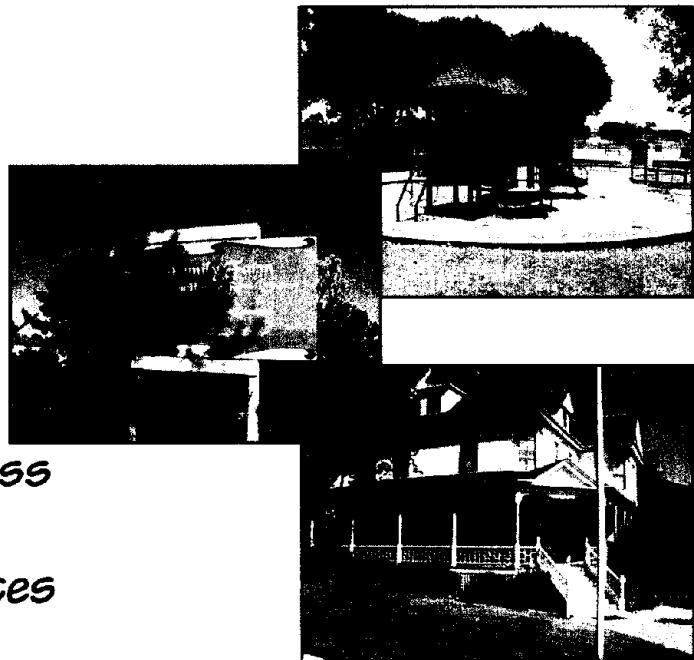
- Introduction
- Existing Setting
- Open Space Plan
- Citywide Goals and Policies



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Open Space and Agriculture Element – Existing Setting

- Open Space Preserves
- Biological Resources
- Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens
- Urban Forests
- Parks and Recreational Facilities
- Creek and Coastal Access
- Historic, Cultural, and Paleontological Resources



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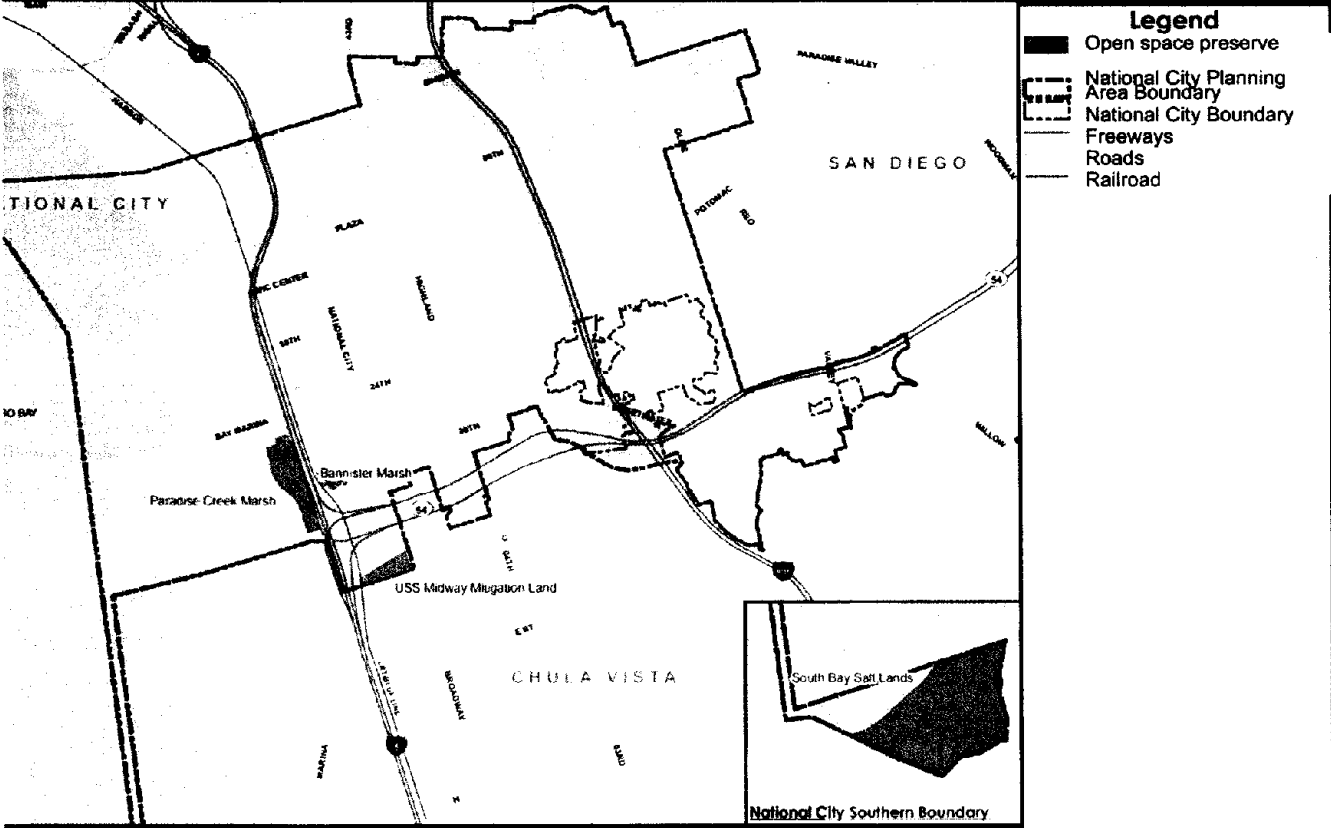
Historic Resources Survey

- Update to 1996 survey
- Detailed inventory of all buildings in the city that are thought to be of historical significance
- \$35,750 to complete this effort
- * Need Council direction

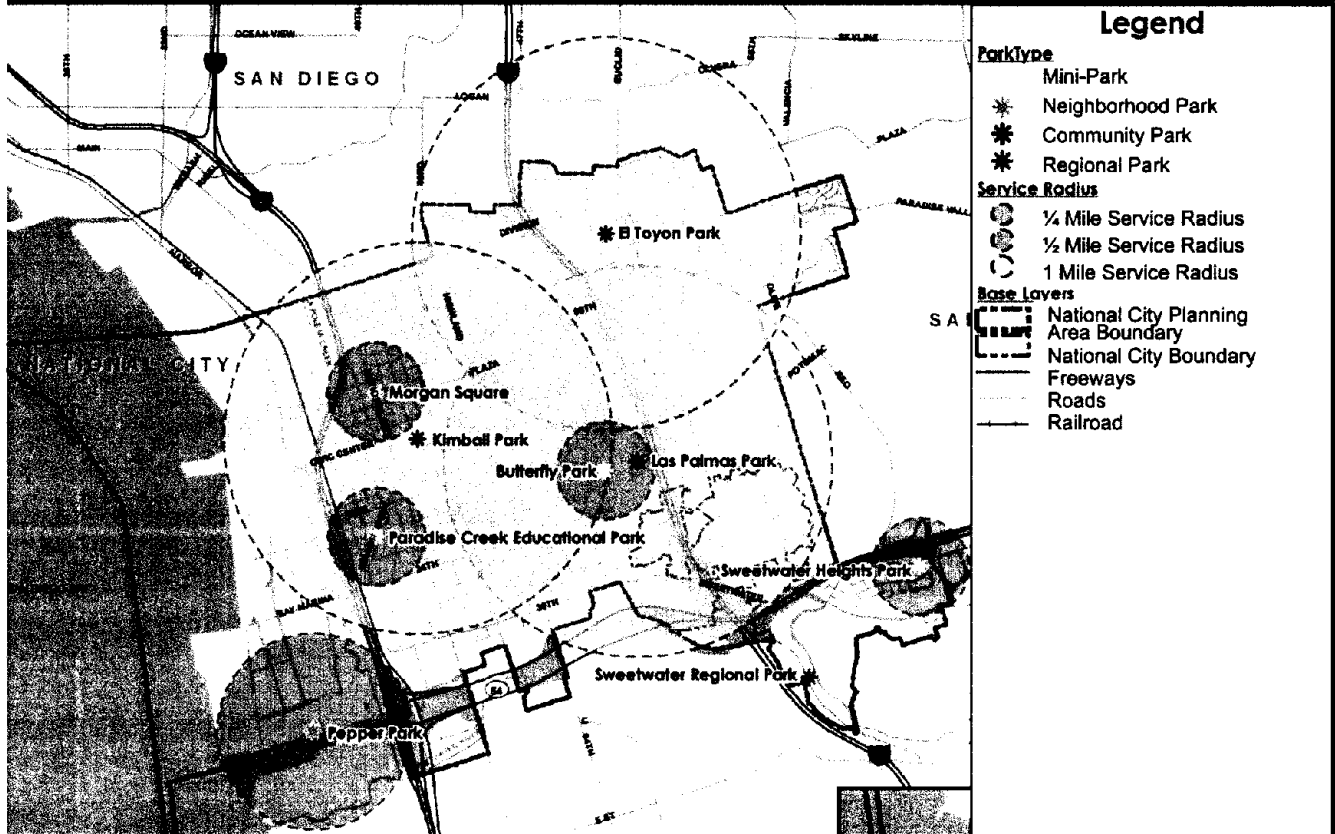


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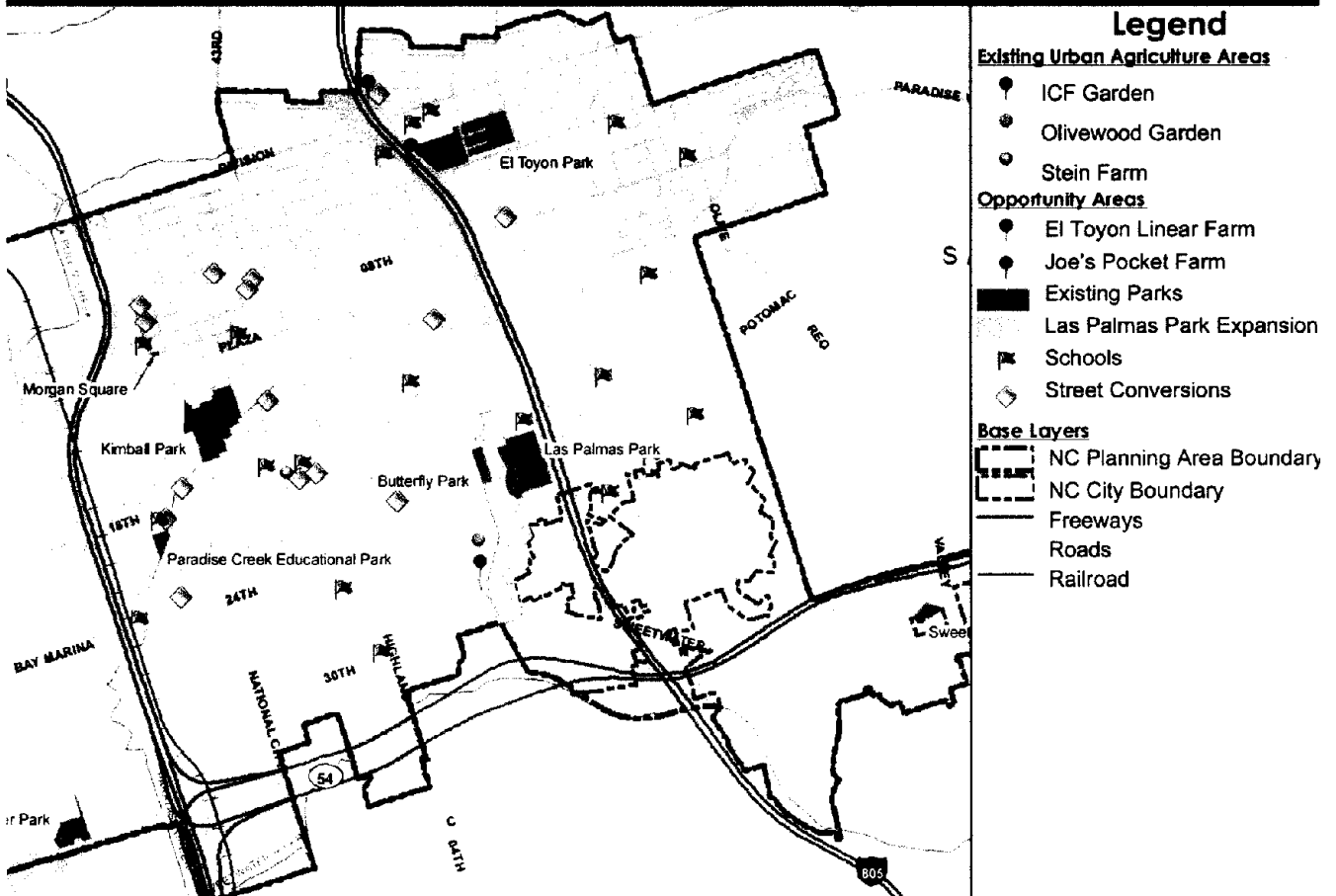
Open Space and Agriculture Element – Open Space Preserves



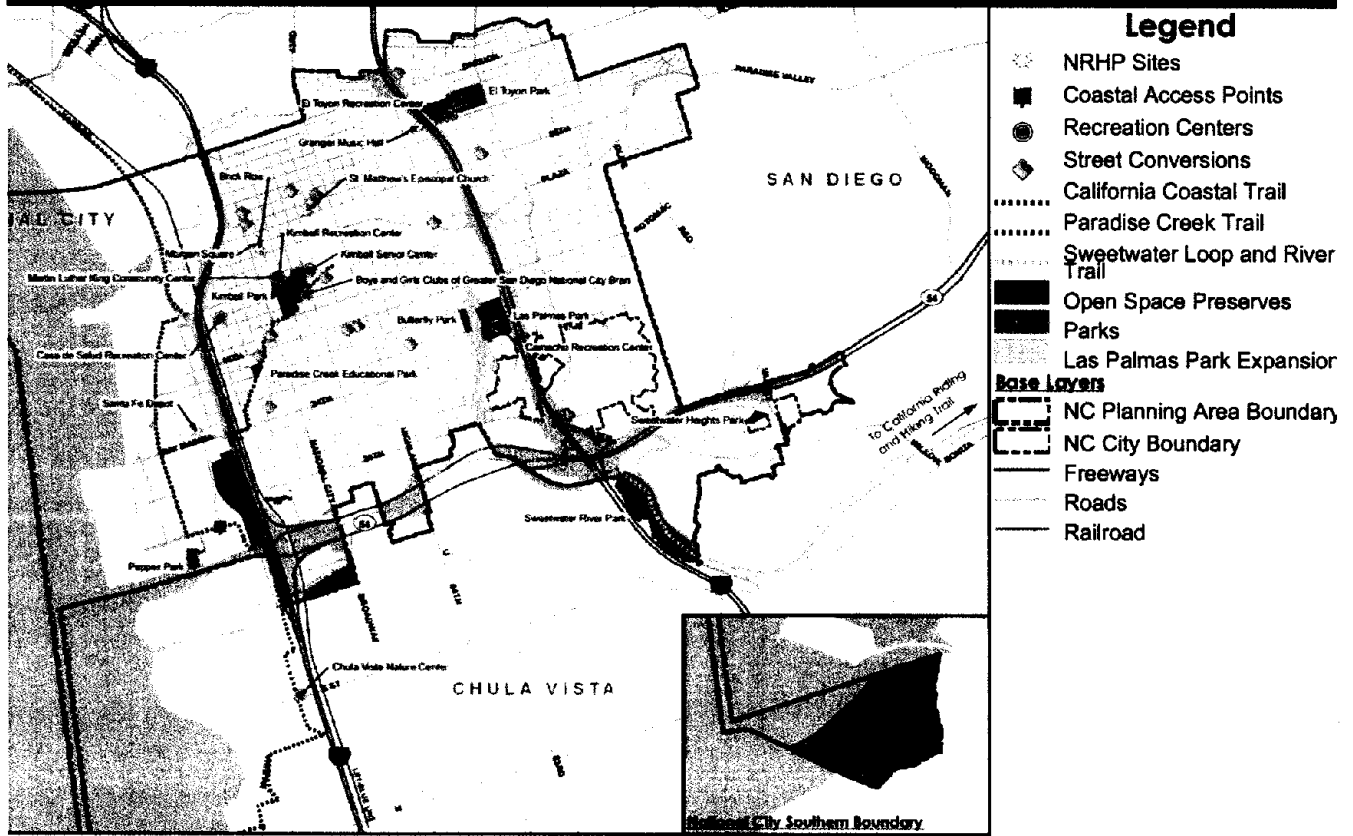
Open Space and Agriculture Element – Park Service Radii Map



Urban Agriculture Opportunities Map



Open Space and Agriculture Element – Open Space Plan



Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Parks and Recreational Facilities

Goal: A diverse range of park and recreational facilities which are responsive to the needs of the community.

Policy: Work with local school districts to provide joint use of school properties as neighborhood parks and recreational centers.



Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Urban Agriculture and Community Gardens

Goal: Community gardens located throughout the City that serve as open space resources, foster community involvement, and provide a local food source.

Policy: Encourage the development of community gardens in conjunction with school sites as an educational and nutritional resource.

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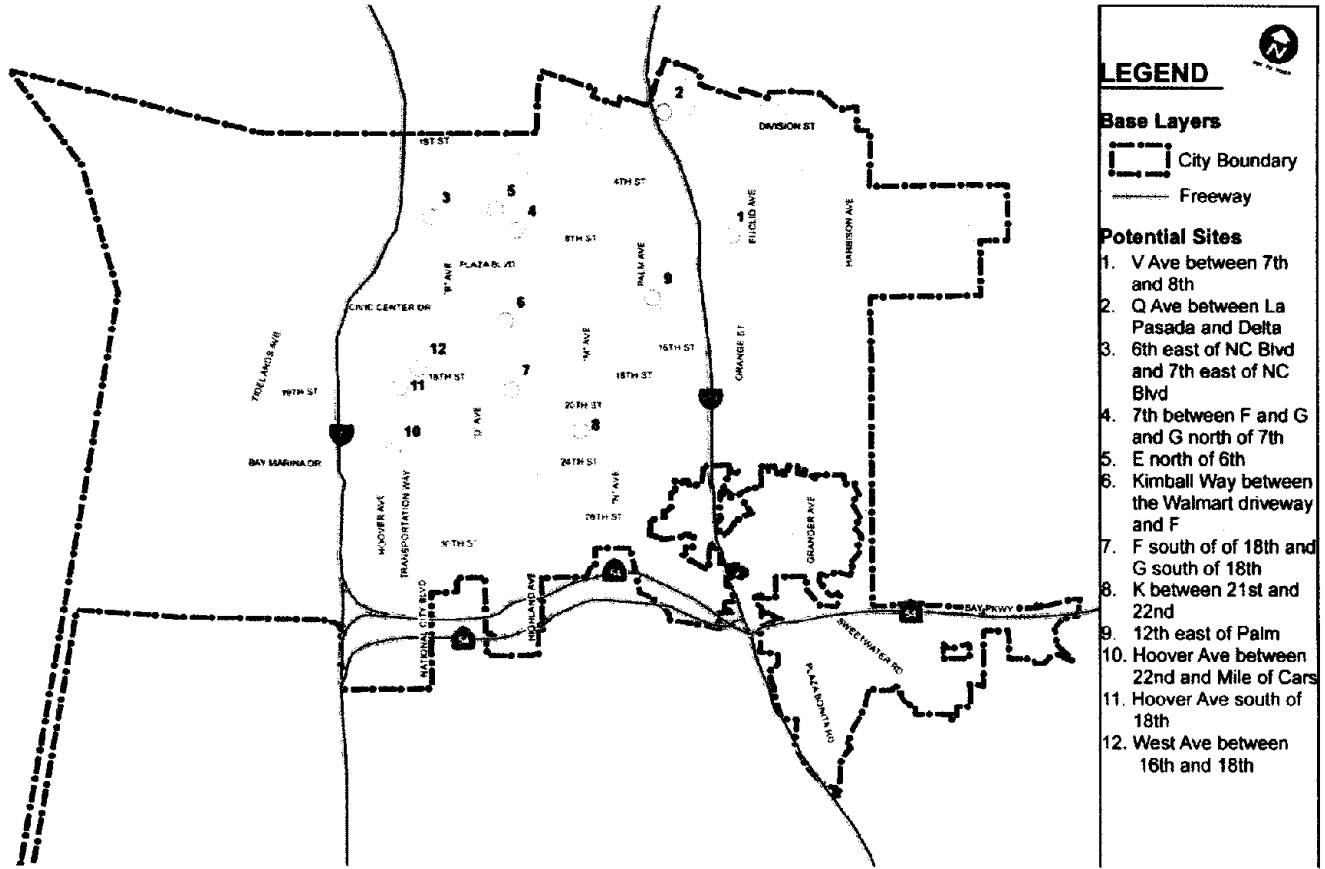
Open Space and Agriculture - Implementation

- Establish joint-use agreements with school districts
- Street conversions
- Park Master Plans

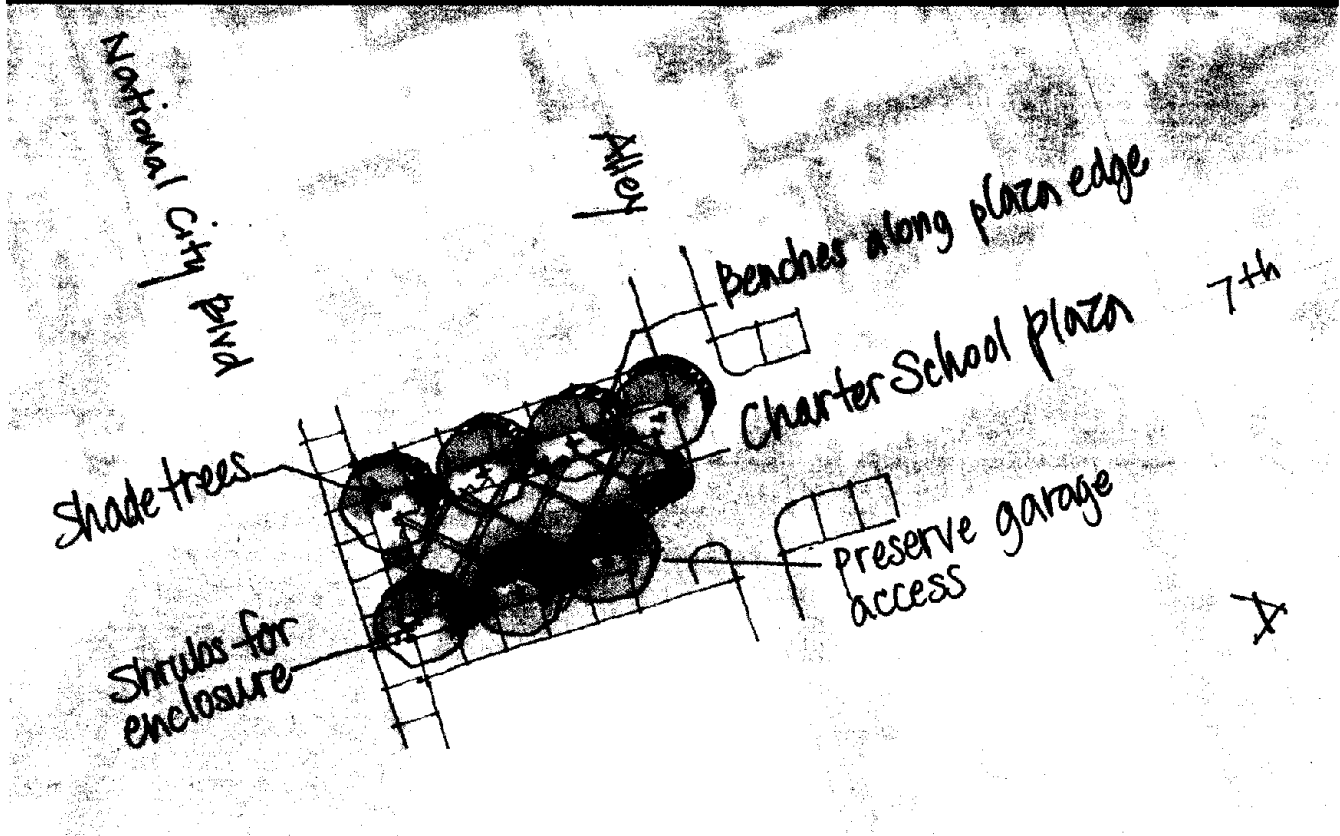


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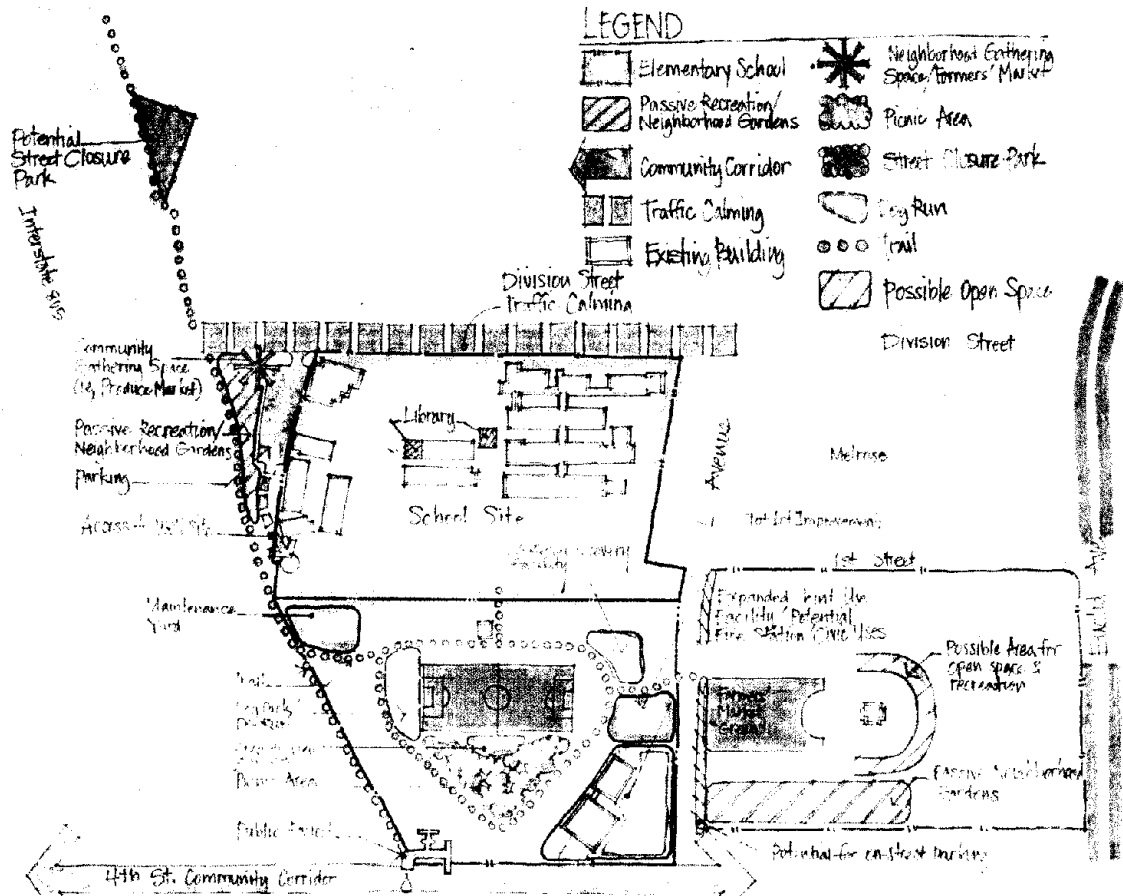
Potential Street Conversion Sites



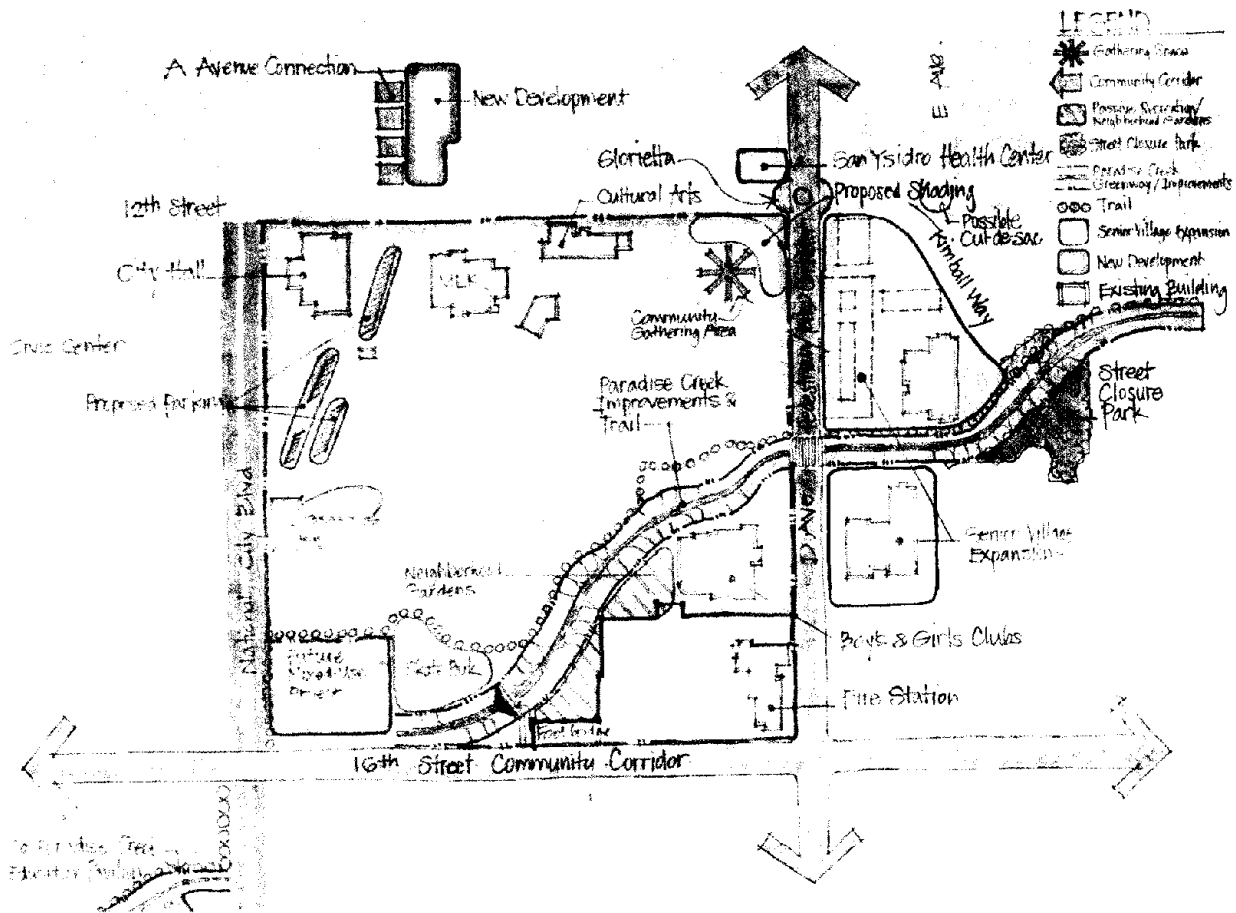
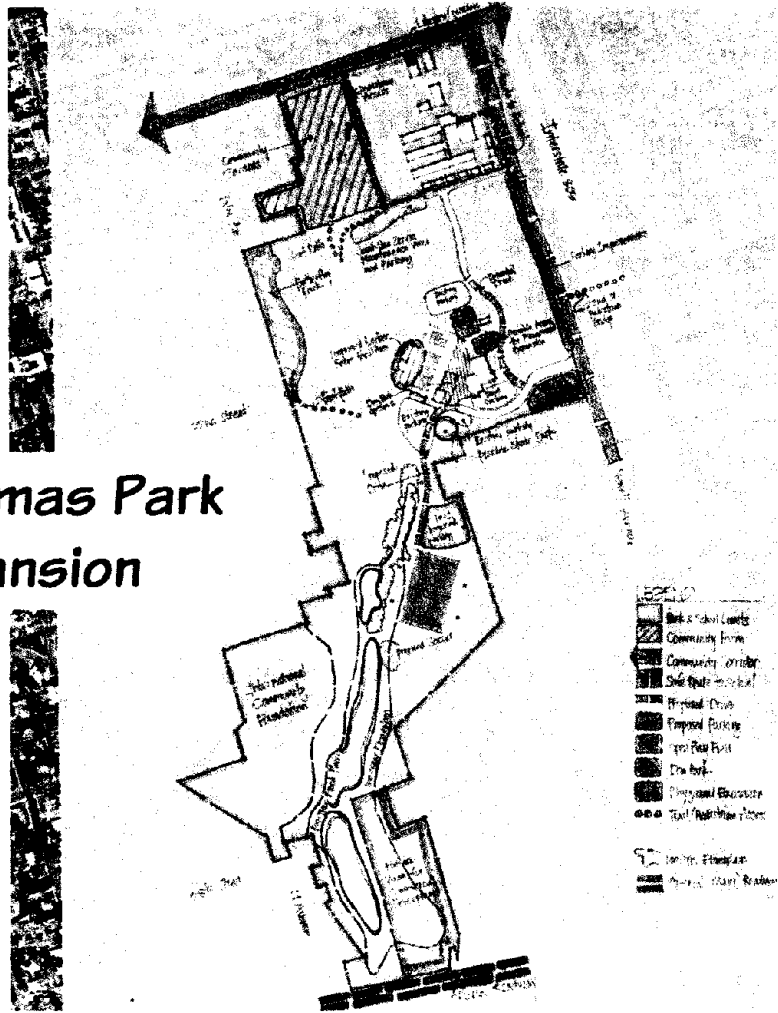
Example Street Conversion: 7th East of NC Blvd.



Example Street Conversion: Hoover South of 18th



Las Palmas Park Expansion



Kimball Park Master Plan



Discussion of Draft Open Space and Agriculture Element

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General Plan Update: Draft Conservation and Sustainability Element (CS)

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Conservation & Sustainability – State Considerations

- **Purpose and Policies:** For the conservation, development, and utilization of natural resources including water and its hydraulic force, forests, soils, rivers and other waters, harbors, fisheries, wildlife, minerals, and other natural resources.
- **Identification:** Identify rivers, creeks, streams, flood corridors, riparian habitats, and land suitable for accommodating flood water for groundwater recharge and stormwater management.

(Government Code Sections 65302(d), 65352.5)

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Conservation & Sustainability – State Considerations

- **Coordination:** Coordinate with applicable water agencies on water supply, water demand, and flood management.
- **Analysis:** Consider the effect of development within the jurisdiction, as described in the land use element, on natural resources (including water supply and demand) located on public lands, including military installations.

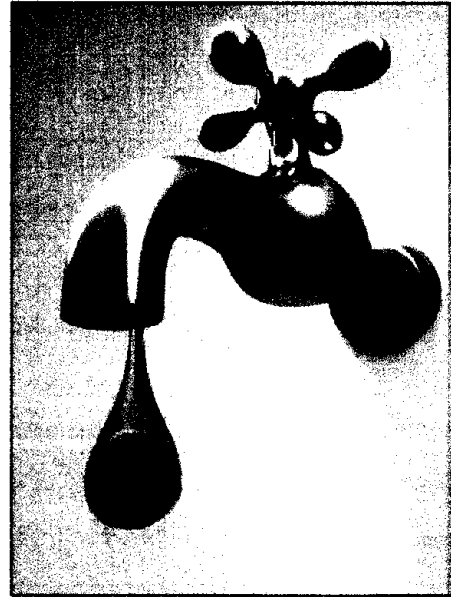
There are no Government Code legal requirements governing the contents of the Sustainability Element.

(Government Code Sections 65302(d), 65352.5)

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Conservation & Sustainability Element – What Is Covered

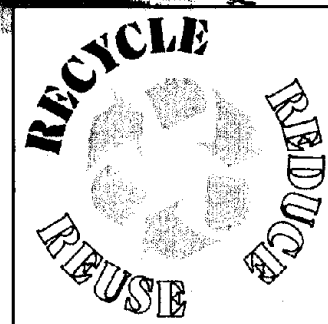
- Introduction
- Existing Setting
 - State Mandates (AB 32/SB375)
- Citywide Goals and Policies



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Conservation & Sustainability Element – Existing Setting

- Climate Change
- Water
- Wastewater
- Energy
- Drainage and Water Quality
- Solid Waste/Recycling



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Conservation & Sustainability Element – Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Drainage and Water Quality

Goal: Healthy, well-functioning local watersheds, water bodies, and groundwater resources that support healthy aquatic ecosystems and are free from urban pollutants.

Policy: Promote watershed awareness programs that address the discharge of preventable contaminants into the sanitary sewer system and support water quality educational programs.

Policy: Support of the reuse of stormwater runoff for beneficial uses.

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Conservation & Sustainability Element – Proposed Goal and Policy Example

Climate Change

Goal: A reduced carbon footprint.

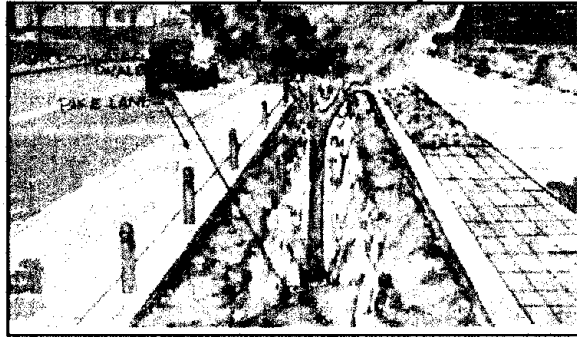
Policy: Continue to evaluate changes in management of the City's vehicle fleet, facilities, and operations to reduce emissions.

Policy: Pursue the development of "clean" or "green" sector industries that benefit the environment and economy.

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Conservation & Sustainability Element – Implementation

- Prepare and adopt the Climate Action Plan.
- Prepare and adopt other appropriate "green" implementation measures.



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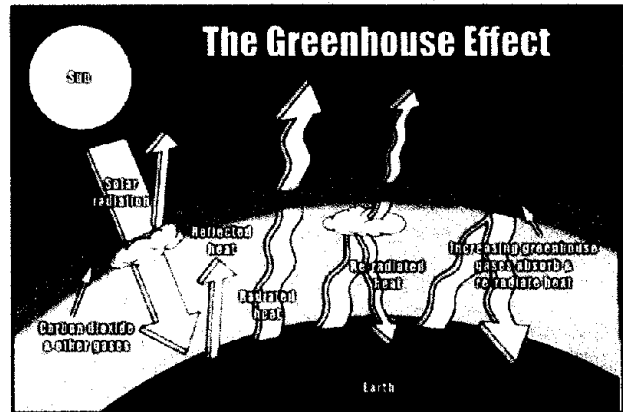
Introduction to Climate Action Plan - Purpose

- Provide a detailed, long-range strategy to achieve sustainability in the sectors of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions
- Lay the foundation for a healthy future for generations of National City residents
- Comply with the State of California's emission reduction targets and environmental goals

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Introduction to Climate Action Plan – Stand-Alone Document

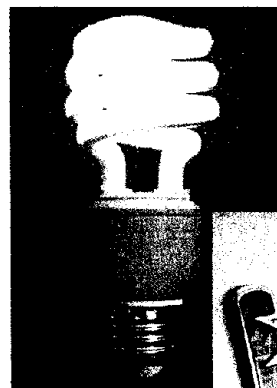
- **Comprehensive background on climate change, and pertinent legislation**
- **Complete set of policies, actions, and programs to minimize GHG**
- **Detailed GHG Analysis**



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Introduction to Climate Action Plan – Resource Areas

- **Energy**
- **Transportation**
- **Land use**
- **Solid Waste**
- **Water**
- **Parks and Open Space**
- **Air Quality**
- **Public Health**



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Introduction to Climate Action Plan – Targets

- Establishes targets related to a variety of climate action topics and sets forth measures to reach those goals



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Introduction to Climate Action Plan – Detailed GHG Analysis

- Quantitative GHG analysis of selected potential policies, actions and programs
- Use of two main modules of the CACP-ICLEI model - Community Analysis and Community Measures
- Utilize data specific to National City - local energy use coefficients and regional growth forecasts

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Introduction to Climate Action Plan – Potential New Programs

- **Programs, policies and actions that could be included to reduce GHG emissions**
- **Address government operations and community design and activity**
- **Based on best practices currently in place by other jurisdictions and the project team's extensive sustainability planning experience**

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Comments and Questions

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